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2. [redacted] Talked with Steve Moran, in the office of Senator George A. Smathers, concerning his letter on behalf of the Senator for a briefing on Agency activities [redacted]

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[redacted] (See Journal of 13 July 1962)

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I advised Moran that Mr. McCone had chatted briefly with Smathers about this and the Senator had no recollection of requesting such a briefing but we would be pleased to talk with him about this if indeed he desired some information. Moran said under the circumstances, he would suggest we do nothing unless the Senator brings it up again.

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3. [redacted] Following up on Congressman Alexander Pirnie's request of Mr. Echols that he be briefed at some point on the relationship of CIA and the intelligence community, particularly the military, I met with him and offered to go into this. Mr. Pirnie was most interested and it was obvious that he would like a rather detailed briefing. Since he was busy with most pressing matters, he indicated he would contact me later. Apparently his son is being assigned to Army intelligence and on his behalf Mr. Pirnie requested an unclassified bibliography of intelligence material which will be furnished.

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4. [redacted] Met with Robert Smart and delivered to him the letter from General Carter to Mr. Vinson of 30 August 1962 which enclosed a revised early retirement legislative proposal. Mr. Vinson had requested this redraft. Earlier General Carter had talked with Mr. Vinson saying it was ready and Mr. Vinson had suggested we send it right up. I requested Mr. Smart to discuss our entire proposal with Mr. Vinson so that I would be in the position to advise General Carter and Mr. McCone precisely where we stand. Mr. Smart promised to do so. Smart had indicated he planned to have [redacted]

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[redacted] analyze the bill and requested our assistance in preparing the sectional analysis which we are doing.

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5. [redacted] Also talked with Bob Smart concerning the letter from Mr. Vinson to Mr. McCone dated 27 August referring to [redacted] who had considerable information concerning landings of Soviet and Bloc soldiers. Smart indicated from his viewpoint no action was required. They were sending it on the off-chance it might be of some use to us. I advised in the meantime that we had send a communication to determine if these three individuals had been interviewed.

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6. [redacted] Met with Mrs. Joann Mills, in the office of Representative Paul G. Rogers, concerning his letter of 24 August 1962 on release of American defense information through the American press and other news media. Advised Mrs. Mills that this was a matter not within the normal responsibilities of the CIA. She thanked me for dropping by and said she would raise the question with the Department of Defense. No response to the letter will be expected.

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